



Edify Church

READY *Set* GO! NEW MEMBERS GUIDE



OUR VISION & MORE

As a church we are continually shaped and molded by the mission, vision and values established by our call and the word of God. They are the guiding principles that keep us aligned and obedient to the plan and purpose given to us by the Holy Spirit.

OUR VISION

To be a disciple-making church that enlightens, equips and empowers our community.

OUR MISSION

We edify believers to mature in Christ, We empower believers to engage in the work of ministry and We equip believers to disciple the world.

Ephesians 4:11-12

11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; 12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

OUR CORE VALUES

TO ENLIGHTEN

To provide spiritual and natural knowledge with biblically-sound teachings

TO EQUIP

To prepare believers spiritually to disciple and live-in purpose

TO EMPOWER

To strengthen faith, to build confidence and encourage for the work of the ministry

TO EMBRACE

To embrace all people who seek Christ no matter their past

TO EMBARK

To lead in our community providing natural and spiritual needs

TO EXALT

To always exalt Christ through worship, sacrifice and service

OUR MANTRA

"WE REACH, WE TEACH, WE EDIFY"

❑ WHAT WE BELIEVE (VIDEO)

- The Bible
- One God
- The Church
- Faith & Practice
- Salvation
- Jesus Christ
- Holy Spirit & Christian Living
- Human Destiny
- God's Plan For You

THERE'S AN OLD SAYING... “Know what you believe, why you believe it and where to find it”. When it comes to the Christian faith, nothing is more important than understanding the foundational truths upon which we stand.

WE BELIEVE...

THE BIBLE

The sole basis of our belief is the Bible, composed of the 66 books of the Old and New Testament. We believe that Scripture in its entirety originated with God and that it was given through inspiration to chosen men. Scripture at one and the same time speaks with the authority of God and reflects the backgrounds, styles, and vocabularies of the human authors. We hold that the Scriptures are infallible and inerrant in the original manuscripts. They are the unique, full, and final authority on all matters of faith and practice, and there are no other writings similarly inspired by God.

GOD

We believe that there is one true, Holy God, eternally existing in three persons – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – each of Whom possesses equally all the attributes of deity and the characteristics of personality. In the beginning, God created out of nothing the world and all the things therein, revealing the glory of His power, wisdom, and goodness. By His sovereign power, He continues to sustain His creation. Through His Spirit, He is operating throughout history to fulfill His redemptive purposes.

THE CHURCH

The principle of relationship with Jesus Christ is that all believers become members of His body, the Church. There is one true Church universal, comprised of all those who acknowledge Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

The Scripture commands believers to gather to devote themselves to worship, prayer, the teaching of the Word, the observance of baptism and Communion as the sacraments established by Jesus Christ, fellowship, service to the body through the development and use of talents and gifts, and outreach to the world. Where God's people meet regularly in obedience to this command, there is the local expression of the church. Under the watch-care of elders and other supportive leadership, its members are to work together in love and unity, intent on the one ultimate purpose of glorifying Christ.

FAITH AND PRACTICE

Scripture is the final authority in all matters of faith and practice. This church recognizes that it cannot bind the conscience of individual members in areas where Scripture is silent. Rather, each believer is to be led in those areas by the Lord, to whom he or she alone is ultimately responsible. However, this body will discipline its members according to Matthew 18 if they disregard clear biblical teaching in the way they live their lives. All members shall agree to the doctrine which is outlined in this statement so that Christ's body here at Edify Church may be built up in unity and love.

SALVATION

The central purpose of God's revelation in Scripture is to call all people into fellowship with Himself. Originally created to have fellowship with God, man defied God, choosing to go his independent way, and was alienated from God and suffered the corruption of his nature, making him unable to please God. The fall took place at the beginning of human history, and all individuals since have suffered these consequences and need the saving grace of God. The salvation of mankind is, then, wholly a work of God's free grace, not the result, in whole or in part of human works or goodness and must be personally appropriated by repentance and faith. When God has begun a saving work in the heart of any person, He gives assurance in His Word that He will continue performing it until the day of its full completion.

JESUS CHRIST

Jesus Christ is the eternal second person of the Trinity who was united forever with a true human nature by a miraculous conception and virgin birth. He lived a life of perfect obedience to the Father and voluntarily atoned for the sins of all by dying on the cross as their substitute, satisfying divine justice and accomplishing salvation for all who trust in Him alone. He rose from the dead in the same body, though glorified, in which He lived and died. He ascended into heaven and sat down at the right hand of the Father, where He, the only Mediator between God and man, continually makes intercession for His own. He shall come again to earth, personally and visibly, to consummate history and the eternal plan of God.

HOLY SPIRIT AND CHRISTIAN LIVING

The essential evidence of a genuine relationship with Jesus Christ is a life of obedience, attained by believers as they submit to the Holy Spirit, the third person of the Trinity. At salvation, He seals and indwells every believer to become a source of assurance of salvation and of strength and guidance in living the Christian life. He is the source and power of all acceptable worship and service of our God. He uniquely provides each believer with gifts for the building of the church and guides them in understanding and applying the Scripture to their lives. He guides in prayer and makes it possible through His power for the believer to lead a life of Christ-like character and devotion to God.

HUMAN DESTINY

Death seals the eternal destiny of each person. For all mankind, there will be a resurrection of the body into the spiritual world and a judgment that will determine the fate of everyone. Unbelievers will be separated from God into condemnation. Believers will be received into eternal fellowship with God and will be rewarded for their faithfulness.

AND WE BELIEVE...

- ✓ *That God has a plan and a purpose specifically designed for your life.*
- ✓ *And we believe that it can be discovered and developed at Edify Church.*

LET'S BELIEVE TOGETHER

☐ WHAT WE BELIEVE pt 2

- Church Attendance
- Personal Study Of The Word
- Personal Prayer
- The Covenant
- Church Ordinances
- Tithes And Offerings
- Discipleship

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

We are committed to teaching a real, relevant, and relational word that you can practically apply in your life. Regular church attendance is one of the keys to living a life as a successful Christian. One scripture that emphasizes the importance of regular attendance is Hebrews 10: 25: “Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another – and all the more as you see the day approaching” (NIV). Biblically sound teaching and fellowship can help bring you to full maturity in Christ Jesus.

You can best benefit from the teaching by always bringing your bible and a notebook to service. You can also review and watch a message again on our website or YouTube. Remember faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God.

PERSONAL STUDY OF THE WORD

The Word of God is spiritual food for spiritual man to live by. If you don't feed your body on a regular basis, it becomes weak. If you don't feed your spirit, on a regular basis, it will also become weak. Studying the word helps us understand our Heavenly Father, His love for us, and all our rights in Him. Studying the Word helps us grow.

PERSONAL PRAYER

Prayer, whether personal or public, is the foundation on which our spiritual lives are built. It is simply communication with the Father. We talk to Him and then listen for His response. The earnest (heartfelt, continued) prayer of a righteous man makes tremendous power available [dynamic in its working]. (James 5:16 Amplified)

AS A NEW MEMBER WE ARE ENTERING INTO A COVENANT WITH YOU!

WHAT IS A 'CHURCH COVENANT'?

A church covenant is a promise – a promise made to God, to a local church, and to oneself. A church covenant is a summary of how we agree to live. At the completion of your New Member process, we will enter a spiritual covenant with you as the believer, the Edify Church family and the body of Christ.

Read and review our “Church Covenant” below:

- We will **edify** ourselves and others to **mature** in Christ (Eph 4.12)
- We will **engage** in the work of the ministry (Eph 4.12)
- We will be **equipped** as disciples to disciple (Matt 28.18-20)
- We will **admonish** one another (Col 3.16; Rom 15.14)
- We will **pray** for one another (James 5.16)
- We will **hold** one another **accountable**(Matt 18.15-17; 1 Cor 5)
- We will **maintain unity** with one another (Eph 4.3)
- We will **strive together** with one another for the faith of the gospel (Phil 1.27)
- We will **speak the truth in love** (Eph 4.15)
- We **will not neglect** meeting together (Heb 10.25)
- We will **contribute cheerfully and regularly** to the support of the ministry (2 Corinthians 9:6-8)

In name of **Jesus**, Amen



CHURCH ORDINANCES

A direction or command of an authoritative nature; a rite or church practice by the authority of the Trinity or the Godhead. Scripture references: Acts 2:38; 8:17-18; 10:48; 19:5.

THE THREE MAJOR ORDINANCES IN THE LORD'S CHURCH:

- Baptism – burial in Him
- Communion – fellowship with Him
- The Laying on of Hands – impartation of Him

BAPTISM: AN OUTWARD MANIFESTATION OF AN INWARD EXPERIENCE.

- Go ye therefore and teach all nations **BAPTIZING** them in the name of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. **Matthew 28:19**

WHY DO WE HAVE WATER BAPTISM?

- Jesus commanded it (Mark 16:16; Matthew 28:16-20)
- Jesus as our example was baptized (Matthew 3:13-17)
- If we love Him, we will keep His commandments (John 14:15)
- We validate our faith by obedience to His Word (James 2:17-18)

COMMUNION-THE LORD'S TABLE

The more believers understand the Table of the Lord, the more benefits they will receive from it. The Communion has become a mere form and a meaningless ceremony. Lack of insight into the significance of Holy Communion is evident. All the blessings of God, the riches and fullness are represented here in the Lord's Table.

What attitudes should we have in coming to the Lord's Table?

- Come to the Table with a desire to participate (Luke 22:14,15)
- Come in faith, believing (Hebrews 4:2; 11:6; Romans. 14:23)
- Come in remembrance of what He did for you (I Corinthians 11:24-25)
- Come with thanksgiving (Luke 22:17)
- Come discerning the Body (broken for you) the Blood (He shed for you) knowing everything Christ did was for you.
- Come examining our hearts (I Corinthians 11:28) making sure we are in right standing with God and our brothers and sisters (I Corinthians 11:27; Psalm 24:3-5)
- Come waiting on each other in the bread and in the cup (I Corinthians 10:16)
- Come with a threefold look to Christ.

LAYING ON OF HANDS

Why do we lay hands on people?

- Description – a belief that power, anointing or another necessary quality can be transmitted (imparted) from one person touching another.
- The Levitical priests laid hands in 1:4; 3:2; 4:15; 16:21 to impart blessing and consecration. In Genesis, Jacob laid his hands on Joseph's two sons Ephraim and Manasseh to impart blessings.

The Laying On Of Hands – Old Testament Examples

- To Consecrate offerings – Leviticus 1:4; 3:2; 4:15; 16:21.
- For Ordination or consecration of men for service – Num. 8:10-11; 27:18; Deuteronomy 34:9; I Tim. 4:14; 5:22; II Tim. 1:6
- To Impart Blessing – Genesis 48:14; Matt. 19:15; Mark 10:13-16 (Basis for infant dedication, not baptism)
- To Impart Healing – Mark 6:5; 7:32; 16:18; 5:22-23, 41; 5:28:31; Luke 4:40; 13:13; Acts 28:8;
- To Confer or set in office – 6:2-3, 6; I Tim. 4:14
- To Receive The Holy Ghost – Acts 8:16-18

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Tithe – ten (10%) of all your increase.

Offering – Financial gifts over and above the tithe.

Alms – Finances given to the poor.

TITHING IS A PART OF THE NEW COVENANT

- As the seed of Abraham, we pay tithes to the Father through our High Priest, Jesus. Abraham paid a tenth portion to Melchizedek – King of Salem (Genesis 14:20, Hebrews 7:1-2)
- This was before the law of tithing was instituted.
- By tithing, we recognize God as the Most-High God, possess or of heaven and Earth.

OFFERINGS

- The giving of offerings is another avenue God uses to financially support the church. (Luke 6:38)
- The way you give is as important as the act of giving itself.
- God loves a cheerful giver (II Corinthians 9:7)
- With the same attitude you use in giving, it shall be measured unto you (Luke 6:38)
- How much you give is not the most important factor, but it is important.
- He, which soweth sparingly, shall reap also sparingly: and he, which soweth bountifully, shall reap bountifully. (II Corinthians 9:6)
- Examples: Pastoral Offerings, Outreach Offerings, Mission Offerings

ALMS TO THE POOR

- Promises to givers of alms. Leviticus 27:30 Acts 10:1-4

DISCIPLESHIP

EVERY BELIEVER HAS THE ABILITY TO “BE EFFECTIVE AN DISCIPLE

Your “witness”

- The Holy Ghost gives us the power to be witnesses. Acts 1:8
- The Name of Jesus gives us the authority.
- The Word of God gives us the knowledge.

It is the responsibility of every believer to be a soul winner.

- Soul winning (the ministry of reconciliation) is the primary ministry of all believers regardless of what office they are called to. (II Corinthians 5:17-20)
- The Great Commission was given for this reason. (Matthew 28: 19-20)

In order to be a successful, effective soul winner, the believer must be a good witness.

- “Witness” is not what you say but how you live your life.
- Not every believer is a good witness. (II Timothy 2:20-21)
- What you live must line up with what you say. (Matthew 5:16)
- Be a doer, not a hearer only of the Word. (James 1:2)

Five Reasons for being a soul winner:

- Jesus was a soul winner, and He is our example.
- The harvest is great, but the laborers are few. Most of the population of earth is not saved. The majority of all living saved people today are not willing to do all that is needed to reach the lost.
- The Great Commission. Jesus gave us the commandment to go and preach the gospel.
- Unfulfilled prophecies concerning Christ’s return. When the work is done, then and only then will Christ return.

□ HOW TO GET CONNECTED

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OUR TEAM: SERVANT LEADERS

The most important asset of any organization is its people. It's the individuals who make the day-to-day commitment to getting things done and getting things done with a spirit of excellence. Our leadership is driven to serve and support the vision, mission and values of Edify Church. We are all here to serve your needs and elevate your church experience.

EDIFY CHURCH CONTACT LIST:

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MEMBER SERVICES: THINGS EVERY MEMBER SHOULD KNOW:

GENERAL INFORMATION

Our regular worship services are held on Sundays at 11:00am. Currently we worship in-person every 1st Sunday and virtually for all other Sundays. Our office hours are 2pm – 6pm Monday through Thursday. The church telephone number is 617-545-7559. The church website is edifyboston.com.

GIVING

The church and the different aspects of the ministry are supported by tithes (10% of your income) and free-will offerings. Operating Expenses, office space, utilities and outreach are some of the expenses that are covered by your tithes and offerings. We've made giving easy right on our website at or <https://app.easytithe.com/app/giving/edifychurch> or you can **CashApp** us at **\$EdifyChurch**.

CONNECT ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Connect with us Facebook, Instagram and YouTube right from our website or you can find us under [@edifyboston](https://www.facebook.com/edifyboston) on these platforms.

STREAM TO WATCH VIRTUAL SERVICES AND EVENTS

Easy access to our services and events online at edifyboston.com, Facebook and YouTube.

THINGS EVERY MEMBER SHOULD KNOW:

CHURCH EVENT CALENDAR

Stay up to date with member access to the church's event calendar online at edifyboston.com.

PRAYER REQUEST

Complete a prayer request card via our website that is sent directly to the Pastors and Prayer Ministry.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION CHANGES

If you have any changes to your family composition, address, email or phone number, please go to our [easytith](#) app and update your information to allow us to better serve you.

HOW TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

To set up an appointment to meet with the pastors, simply complete a Member Services request through our website. Appointments are typically scheduled on Tuesday evenings for in-person or virtual Zoom calls.

IF YOU ARE HOSPITALIZED

If you are admitted to the hospital or have a health challenge, please call the church office directly to inform the Pastors of the condition and Pastoral needs for emergencies. For non-emergency communications please complete & submit a Members Services request card.

BENEVOLENT HELP

If you should find that you need financial assistance, complete a Member Services request through our website. A brief, confidential interview will be scheduled and conducted. The final decision will be based upon our assistance guidelines.

THINGS EVERY MEMBER SHOULD KNOW:

WEDDINGS

Once you are officially engaged, complete a Members Services card through our website. You'll receive a communication to schedule a meeting. The Wedding Guidelines will be reviewed with you and your Pre-Marriage Counseling sessions will be scheduled. The pastors only conduct Premarital Counseling and Weddings for members.

BABY DEDICATIONS

The parent/guardian(s) should complete a Member Services request card at least one month in advance to schedule a baby dedication. The guidelines will be reviewed at that time. Dedications are typically held during the 11:00 am Sunday service.

FUNERALS AND MEMORIAL SERVICES

If one of your immediate family members passes away, we ask that you inform the church. It is our desire to meet whatever spiritual needs you and your family may have at that time.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

It is vitally important that as we continue to serve you as a member and co-laborer that you adhere to registration deadlines to help us serve everyone with a spirit of excellence. We can do more when we know for whom we will be serving and how many we will be serving in advance.

GET CONNECTED

One of the best ways to get connected with your new church is to get involved. Participation helps you feel like you are truly a part of the church. It also gives you a vested interest in the success of the ministry. We were created in Christ Jesus to do good works (Ephesians 2:10 NIV). He has placed an awesome gift in you. We can use it here at Edify Church!

WHY SERVE?

Here we place a high value on service, and it is apart of our Vision. Here are just a few reasons why we think serving is important:

- **We need to follow His example.** Jesus said He didn't come to be served, but to serve others. If we want to become more like Jesus, it needs to be a priority in our life too. (Matthew 10:45, Matthew 20:28).
- **We were created to serve.** God has a design for each of us that only we are uniquely able to fill, and He built giving our lives in service to Him right into our DNA. (Ephesians 2:10, 1 Peter 4:10)
- **We demonstrate gratitude for His sacrifice.** Jesus paid the debt for our sin on the cross; when we say 'yes' to Him, He redeems our life. Serving others shows our thanks & love for Him. (Romans 12:1)
- **We acknowledge God has a plan for our life.** Did you ever wonder why we're not just transported right to heaven the minute we say 'yes' to Him? He has something for each of us to do in sharing His message of hope. (2 Timothy 1:9, Galatians 1:15)
- **We offer tangible proof.** If we are truly committed to following Jesus, and appreciate our church family, our service to the body demonstrates our commitment and blesses others. (Romans 7:4, 1 Corinthians 12:27, Colossians 3:23)
- **Serving brings significance.** Our lives will have new meaning and satisfaction as we invest them in things that matter. (Mark 8:35)
- **We recognize it matters.** Someday we will be called to give an account for how we spent our time and be rewarded for the investments we've been willing to make in the lives of others for His sake. (Romans 14:12, John 12:26, Matthew 25:23).

GET CONNECTED

God designed us to add to life, not just take from it, and to make a difference. We believe service is at the heart of the Christian life and giving of yourself will not only change the lives of those you serve, it will change you too. By the way, when you are serving in your 'sweet spot,' you know, the one God created you for "Serve the Lord with gladness!" Psalm 100:2

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT FROM EDIFY CHURCH

Provide Ministerial opportunities to serve and sow in the church

It takes several people working together to make each worship celebration happen. Everyone from parking attendants, youth volunteers, to worship production will work together to make every ministry experience an enjoyable experience. And serving others is what we see as part of The Great Commission. By following the example of Jesus Christ, we serve others with our time and talents. We couldn't operate without the generosity of volunteers and the gifting's God has given them to use.

Provide a forum to commune with co-laborers

Our lives revolve around the connections we make—at work, in our community, within our families. When you connect with your local church, you open your life to possibilities that could impact the world around you in ways you could not do on your own.

GET CONNECTED

WHAT EDIFY CHURCH EXPECTS FROM YOU

Your first responsibility is to know your own duties and how to do them promptly, correctly and pleasantly. Secondly, you are expected to cooperate with leadership and your co-laborers (volunteers) and maintain a good team attitude. How you interact with co-laborers (volunteers) and those whom The River of Life Christian Center serves, and how you accept direction can affect the success of your service. Whatever your position you have an important assignment, to perform every task to the very best of your ability resulting in a better outcome for the church and your personal satisfaction.

You are encouraged to grasp opportunities for spiritual growth and development that's offered to you. We strongly believe you should have the right to make your own choices in matters that concern and control your life. However, a lifestyle blatantly out of line with the dictates of scripture and Edify Church guidelines (which will be covered under unacceptable activities) will not be tolerated.

We believe in direct access to leadership. We are dedicated to making Edify Church a place where you can approach your leader, or any member of leadership, to discuss any problem or question. We expect you to voice your opinions and contribute your suggestions to improve the quality of excellence at Edify Church .

Edify Church's continued growth depends on the financial support of its members and visitors. As a member of Edify Church family you share in the prosperity of the church. All Edify Church leaders and volunteers are **required** to be tithers and faithful supporters.

GET CONNECTED

WHAT EDIFY CHURCH EXPECTS FROM YOU (cont.)

Remember, you help create the healthful, pleasant and safe conditions that Edify Church intends for you. Your responsibility, dependability, and integrity are vital as a volunteer at Edify Church in making each day and service enjoyable and rewarding.

Please take time and read your volunteer handbook carefully. The Volunteer Handbook has been prepared to inform you about Edify Church's policies and procedures and the conduct expected from you. We hope this Volunteer Handbook will help you feel comfortable with us. We depend on you - your success is our success. Please don't hesitate to ask questions. Your Leader will gladly answer them. We believe you will enjoy serving with your co-laborers here. We also believe you will find Edify Church has an amazing atmosphere to worship and serve in.

VOLUNTEER IN MINISTRY

A part of becoming all that God intended you to be starts with serving others; connecting to a ministry where you can grow in your faith. As you serve alongside others you become a part of a community. A community of believers who express their faith by helping others. That's what ministry is all about; service to others. Our prayer is that you will find one or more ways to connect.

OPERATIONAL MINISTRIES

It takes several ministries working together to make each worship celebration happen at Edify Church. Our operational ministries are those which are necessary to bring a Sunday Worship experience to life. Review these ministry opportunities below:

USHERS AND GREETERS

First impressions are always the best impressions. The Ushers and Greeters at Edify strive to make you feel welcomed from the time you're greeted until they shake your hand as you leave. One of the most honorable positions here at Edify Church is to serve as a doorkeeper in the house of God. The purpose of this ministry is to greet everyone as well as maintain order during worship services.

MEMBER SERVICES

If you have questions, Member Services has answers. The purpose of this ministry is to provide assistance and information to members, guests or visitors that attend our services here at Edify. This team is responsible for maintaining the church Information Desk as well as assisting with all administrative needs during services.

VOLUNTEER IN MINISTRY

AUDIO & VISUAL

Our A/V team consists of passionate individuals working together to make every Sunday service a success through sound and video. The purpose of this ministry is to provide quality in sound so that the Word of God, music and announcements are heard with clarity live or through video.

WORSHIP & MUSIC MINISTRY

The goal of our Worship & Music Ministry is to effectively minister the Word of God through song and music. Through these life-changing worship encounters, believers are empowered to deepen their relationships with God. Our anointed singers & musicians lead us in song and prepares our hearts to receive the Word of God.

HOSPITALITY

The Hospitality Ministry is responsible for greeting and serving members, visitors and special guests of Edify Church. Our main objective is to be a blessing by demonstrating the love of God with a heart to serve through specific hospitality needs.

SECURITY & PARKING

Providing a safe and secure atmosphere for our pastors, members, and guests is our top priority. This ministry provides interior crowd monitoring, perimeter coverage, and parking lot surveillance. The purpose of this ministry is to provide internal and external security during our worship services and church events as well as control efficient flow of traffic and parking.

VOLUNTEER IN MINISTRY

E-KIDZ CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

The purpose of this ministry is to create an environment for children to study the Word of God with understanding. The Youth Leaders give children the tools they need to practically apply the word of God in their everyday life. (There is a mandatory membership of 6 months before serving in this ministry). The Children Ministries include:

Pre-school - Ages 3 to 4 years old

Elementary - Grades K to 5th

EMERGE STUDENT MINISTRY

The purpose of this ministry is to foster a culture for teens to study the Word of God with understanding and with other teens. The youth leaders teach and exemplify the skills teens will utilize to practically apply the Word of God to their lives. Leaders of this ministry have a passion to guide and encourage this generation of believers. (There is a mandatory membership of 6 months before serving in this ministry).

VOLUNTEER IN OUTREACH

EXTRA HANDS OUTREACH MINISTRY

At Edify we believe that a part of your faith is going beyond the building, out into the world to help others. The purpose of this ministry is to take the word of God outside of the four walls of the church. This is accomplished by men and women who have a heart to serve their community. Our Outreach ministries include:

GAP PRAYER MINISTRY

The purpose of this ministry is to pray for those requesting prayer, for our Pastors, staff, church members and the body of Christ. We intercede on behalf of others for God's will to be done. **G**od's **A**nointed **P**eople standing in the **GAP** for others.

ALTAR CARE /DISCIPLESHIP 101

The purpose of this ministry is to provide biblical teaching about salvation to newly converted Christians and encourage those that are re-dedicating their lives to Christ.

OUTREACH PARTNERSHIPS

The purpose of this ministry is to partner with local non-profit organizations and provide support through service, visibility and contributions that will edify the families and individuals in need, in our community.

SOCIAL MINISTRY GROUPS

EXCEL MENS MINISTRY

Life is choice-driven. We have no choice in being born as males, but we can choose to be a man—particularly a man of excellence. The purpose of this ministry is to provide an environment for men to fellowship and receive ministry that focuses on the specific needs of men. Meetings and activities are designed to help men achieve a higher level of excellence in every area of their lives.

EXALTED WOMEN MINISTRY

This is the time to connect with other women and to refresh our spirits. But we must make time to encourage each other in order to serve. The purpose of this ministry is to provide an environment for women to fellowship and receive ministry that focuses on their specific needs. Meetings and activities are designed to help women achieve a higher level of excellence in every area of their lives.

EVOLVE COUPLE'S MINISTRY

Evolve's purpose is to prepare, produce and maintain a culture of edified marriages. Marriages that rule over every situation and circumstance they may face. We seek to build relationships that exemplify God's desired plan and purpose for couples. From dating to saying "I do" we want to center relationships and marriage around Christ and the word of God.

EQUIPPED SINGLES MINISTRY

Our mission is to provide a ministry to young adults, divorcees, widows, and single adults that fosters individual wholeness through a relationship with God. We desire that our single adults will grow into the image of Christ and prepare for the destiny God has planned for them.

WHAT'S NEXT: VOLUNTEER

- ✓ Complete your Volunteer Application
- ✓ Complete a Mandatory Background Check
- ✓ Complete a Confidentiality Form
- ✓ Get Ready to Serve

WHAT'S NEXT: MEMBER PROCESS

- ✓ Next please register your attendance for your New Member Fellowship which will be held on the 1st Sunday of the following month of your completed class date during the 11am Service by completing a Fellowship card on Church Trac.
- ✓ You will receive a confirmation call and email the week of the Fellowship. If the confirmation is not received, please contact the office.
- ✓ Feel free to invite your family and friends to be apart of your Fellowship Day.
- ✓ You'll receive the Right Hand of Fellowship and certificate of completion of our New Members Class.